

OUR Republican friends are now industriously engaged in placing Missouri in the Republican column—with their mouth, but that don't count.

SINCE the St. Louis Globe-Democrat began to hedge in its praise of Jos. W. Folk, the next Democratic nominee for governor, stock in that gentleman is going up very much akin to a sky-rocket.

ONE of the best reasons why Sam B. Cook should be re-nominated for secretary of state is because of the fact that the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, a rabid Republican sheet, is abusing him. There is something in a Democrat worthy of commendation whenever he incurs the displeasure of the Globe-Democrat.

THE African-American is being courted and cajoled by the Republican party just now because of the approaching elections. But it will be different after the elections are over. Then the pretended love of Republicans for the negro will cease—until they again need his vote in another election. Fawning and flattery generally win the negro's vote to the Republican party, but when he wants a bread and butter favor he goes to a Democrat at least 3-1-2 years out of four. The negro is an easy prey to Republican wiles. The color line has been abolished at the Republican national convention, now in session at Chicago, but it will be drawn tightly again when it comes to a distribution of federal patronage. Considering the per cent of the vote of the Republican party the negro represents he is permitted to have very little "pie."

THE Republicans met in national convention at Chicago Tuesday to nominate a candidate for president and vice-president. There were full a delegation from all the states. Colored delegates seem to have been more prominent in this than in former conventions for several quadrenniums, at least. They had equal privileges at the hotels and elsewhere. They are reported to have made their boast that they were stopping at the white man's hotels, were eating the white's grub, were sleeping in the white man's beds and would vote for the white man's candidate for president. Of course, if the colored brother will vote the ticket, he will be guaranteed a passport to all the other good things, especially this year when his services will be needed, as the party will have no votes to spare. There was some friction in the convention that may result in turning Wisconsin into the Democratic column. Governor LaFollette, who is also the Republican nominee for re-election, bolted the convention, and took 26 contesting delegates along with him, for the reason, as he alleged, that the committee appointed to settle the claims of the contesting delegates was stocked against him and his colleagues. Mr. Roosevelt will be given the first place on the ticket by acclamation and at this writing it looks as though Senator Fairbanks of Indiana will be chosen as his running-mate.

THE STATE JUDICIAL CONVENTION.

J. A. Collet and H. J. West of Keytesville attended the state judicial convention at St. Joseph Tuesday, June 21.

Only one candidate for supreme judge was to be nominated, and that honor fell to Judge A. M. Woodson of St. Joseph by acclamation.

Besides Messrs. Collet and West the following delegates were present from this county: Cecil Wayland, Wm. F. Becker,

Wm. D. Hibler, proxy for L. N. Dempsey; P. S. Rader, proxy for Fred Lamb, and J. L. Hubbard, proxy for Dr. Hughes. Chas. E. Finch was also a delegate, but was not present nor was he represented by proxy.

There being no opposition to Judge Woodson for supreme judge the convention was without special interest, but some right laughable incidents occurred.

In St. Joseph and Buchanan county, however, matters politically are extremely warm as the primary for all state officers takes place there next Saturday, June 25.

Cochran of St. Joseph is a candidate for re-election to congress, and Nodaway county holds the key to the congressional nomination.

Jas. Todd of Nodaway is an aspirant for secretary of state and Cochran and Todd will combine their forces to defeat Sam B. Cook, but it is not believed by the Chariton delegation to the St. Joe convention that Cochran and Todd can wrest the county from Cook.

Should Buchanan go against Todd it is likely that Cochran will lose Nodaway, hence the contest will be a battle that will be fought to the last ditch.

DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL OUTLOOK.

The fact of the business is that the big Democrats of the nation all are wearing smiles as big as a crack in a frozen liver, and are powerfully "hold up" about the situation in general. They feel that the situation is clarifying itself so far as the presidential question is concerned. From the action of the different states all over the country in sending uninstructed delegations to the national convention, they feel that the purpose of the Democracy this year is to get together. It looks like the watchword is and will be at the convention to meet in the city of St. Louis July 6, next, get together, take counsel, get the best man and a man who can and will win, put out a platform that the people at large will endorse and then all go out and fight like tigers until victory comes to the party of the people and rebukes the party of spoliation, of special privileges, of combines, of trusts, of treasury-looters and post-office grafters.

It no longer now is the question of any single individual. It is the question of the man who can fill the public eye, in the estimation of the delegated Democracy in convention assembled, and who can compel the Democratic hosts to get out and get red in the face in support of him. They feel that the people not only are sore at but really afraid of the political "four flush" and "fakir" now in the white house, and only await the opportunity to vote him out and place there in some man who will execute the laws of the country and not attempt to usurp the prerogatives of the legislative branch of the government. It is the consensus of opinion that such a man will be nominated at St. Louis and will be elected.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

Missouri State Fair.

The fourth annual exhibiton of the Missouri state fair should be the most successful in the history of the institution. The dates selected, August 15-19, do not conflict with the live stock exhibit at St. Louis, nor with any of the great state fairs. This should assure a great live stock exhibit and an unrivaled display of agricultural and industrial products.

Missourians and Missouri exhibitors should be impressed with the importance of the state fair, and remember that it is a

permanent institution destined to develop the state's resources, promote its industries, advertise its advantages, its wealth and its grandeur, for all time to come.

No unusual occurrence, regardless of its magnitude and its attractions; no entertainment for a season, however brilliant it may be, should detract from an interest in the state fair, or cause Missourians to swerve in their loyalty to an institution that, throughout future generations, is to stand for them, or their progress, and the advancement of their industrial interests.

Probate Pointers.

Est. heirs J. W. Fletcher: Sarah Fletcher, guardian and curator, presents petition for the sale of interest of John W. and Jas. H. Fletcher, minor heirs of J. W. Fletcher, deceased, in 15 acres, sw pt se 20-53-19, subject to dower interest of mother. Cause heard, and said sale being found by the court necessary for the support and maintenance of said wards, an order of sale, public or private, is granted, guardian and curator to report, etc.

Est. Elbert L. Anderson: Elbert L. Andersen, a minor 19 years of age, shows to the satisfaction of the court that by reason of a recent accident he is suffering from bodily injuries which incapacitate him for work. It is, therefore, ordered by the court that his guardian and curator, J. B. Dameron, advance to him out of any funds in his hands belonging to said minor the sum of \$50 for his support while disabled as aforesaid.

Est. heirs Elizabeth Hardwick: On application of W. R. Hardwick, father of Oliver, Walter, Rewannan and Wm. Hardwick, minor heirs of Elizabeth Hardwick, deceased, it is ordered that said W. R. Hardwick be and is appointed guardian and curator of said minors. Bond in the sum of \$300 approved with Geo. W. Cunningham and J. R. Bixby as securities. Said guardian and curator petitions the court for the sale of the undivided one-fourth interest of said minors in the se 24-60-25 in Grundy county, Mo. Cause heard, and sale being found necessary for the support and maintenance of said wards, an order of sale, public or private, is granted, guardian and curator to make report, etc.

Est. J. O. Stanley: D. P. Stanley, administrator, presents his petition to the court showing that said J. O. Stanley died seized and possessed of the n hf ne 5-56-18, and that said land is encumbered by a deed of trust for \$1,000 executed by said J. O. Stanley in his lifetime. Said administrator further shows to the court that the personal assets of said J. O. Stanley's estate are inadequate to pay debts due, and said administrator, therefore, prays the court for an order for the sale of said J. O. Stanley's equity in said land. It appearing to the court that the sale would be for the best interest of said estate, an order of sale, public or private, is granted said administrator, who is first to have said land appraised by three disinterested persons. Administrator is also ordered to make report at the next regular term of this court after making said sale.

ALLOWANCES.

J. P. Tippet against estate A. Musgrave, note for \$47.58; account for \$1.

Live Stock Market.

Special to the COURIER.

Kansas City, Mo., Tuesday, June 21, 1904. The most persistent quotation of the cattle market for the last 10 days has been from day to day: "Best steady, others lower." All

kinds are about steady to-day, and it begins to look like the cheaper grades were at last approaching a settled basis. Receipts are not as heavy this week, and the proportion of good to choice stuff coming is falling off. Best steers sold today at \$6.30, steers and heifers mixed at \$5.90, indicating that prime cattle are likely to hold up in price. The decline on medium to common grades since first of last week ranges from 35 to 75 cts., and the range of a given kind of cattle is, therefore, very wide. Cows sell from \$2 to \$4.25, heifers from \$3 to \$5.30. Veal calves are at the lowest point, and sell at \$3.50 to \$4.25. Feeders have not lost more than 20 to 30 cts., as they are always influenced by the fluctuations in prices of prime beef steers, which are now selling as good as at any time this year. Stockers are much cheaper, selling at \$3 to \$4.25. It looks like good cattle would hold up, but shippers should be careful about thin and grassy stuff.

Hog prices are rapidly going up, gain yesterday amounting to 15 or 20 cts.; top to-day is \$5.22 1-2, bulk of sales \$5 to \$5.15, and weights below 200 pounds up to \$5.05. All weights seem to be gaining about alike, but buyers insist on quality, and shade the price on anything grassy. Absence of customary liberal June run of hogs accounts for good prices, and points to a strong market for the present.

Sheep and lambs were 15 to 25 cts. lower at the close of last week, but 10 or 15 cts. of this was put back yesterday. Run is liberal to-day, and prices steady at the gain of yesterday. Poor quality was main cause of lower prices last week, and some good quality stuff came in yesterday, selling readily at an advance. Spring lambs bring up to \$6.80, clipped lambs \$6, wethers \$5.35, ewes \$5.15.

NOTES.

Wm. Fulbright of Sumner, Mo., bought here yesterday a carload of stock cows.

Laughlin Bros. and H. C. Atterbury of Mendon, Mo., were at the yards yesterday with a big shipment of cattle and hogs.

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Rural Mail-Carrier Rules.

The act of congress making appropriations for the service of the post-office department, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1904, increasing the salaries of rural mail-carriers from \$50 to \$60 a month, provides that:

"On and after July 1, 1904, said carriers shall not solicit business or receive orders of any kind from any person, firm or corporation, and shall not, during their hours of employment carry any merchandise for hire; provided said carriers may carry any merchandise for hire and upon the request of patrons residing upon their respective routes, whenever the same shall not interfere with the proper discharge of their official duties, and under such regulations as the postmaster-general may prescribe."

In pursuance of the above provision, Postmaster-General H. C. Payne has laid down the following rules governing rural mail-carriers, to-wit:

RULES.

That rural carriers are not permitted to solicit business for any person, firm or corporation.

No mailable matter may be handled by rural carriers while serving their routes, unless the proper postage has been prepaid, with the single exception of county newspapers, which, under the law, are permitted to be carried free throughout the county in which they are published, to actual subscribers, and such newspapers addressed to subscribers, residents on rural routes, must be deposited at the post-office the same as papers for other subscribers.

THE GLORIOUS FOURTH

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Articles or packages, which are mailable, which are handed to the carrier or deposited in the post-office or in a rural letter-box or in a collection-box located on a rural route, with request that the rural carrier deliver same, are subject to the rules regulating mail matter, including the payment of postage thereon.

Articles or packages, that are not mailable, which the patron desires the rural carrier to carry must be delivered to the carrier in person, and in carrying merchandise for hire rural carriers are not permitted to leave their routes as officially laid out or to accept anything that will in any way delay the delivery of mail, or in any way interfere with the efficiency of the service.

Carriers, while on duty, are not permitted to carry spirituous liquors either for themselves, for sale or for the accommodation of their patrons.

Rural carriers are required to permit post-office inspectors, or

other duly accredited agents of the post-office department, to accompany them on their regular trips over their routes. They must not carry other passengers nor permit any person, other than authorized postal officials, to ride with them or to have access to the mails.

Rural carriers must not engage in any business during their prescribed hours of service, or conduct any business after hours which offers the temptation to solicit patronage on their routes, or which, by reason of their position in the government service, gives them special advantage over competitors, such as book canvassing, soliciting insurance, selling sewing machines, or other kindred occupations.

Carriers must not, either in person or through others, directly or indirectly, by any method whatever, solicit money, gifts or presents; nor issue for profit, souvenirs or postal handbooks; nor co-operate with or assist the publishers of same to secure the patronage of the public; nor compile directories for public use or assist publishers to compile them; nor furnish the names and addresses of patrons of their routes, for pay or favor, to any business establishment, or to any individual, except to those departmental officials who, under the regulations, are entitled to the same.